IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend claims 1, 3, 5 and 6 as shown in the following claim listing:

1. (currently amended)   A network apparatus (2) <u>for communicating with a network (A) and</u> comprising

   - a biometry module (3) for detecting biometrical data of a user (1)<u>; said biometrical data of a user (1) also being supplied to said network (A)</u>;

   - a configuration module (4)<u>directly coupled to said biometry module (3)</u> which is adapted to determine an unambiguous network identifier and/or an unambiguous initial key from biometrical data provided by the biometry module (3) for ~~the~~ <u>an</u> encrypted communication ~~(particularly~~ <u>, such as</u> in the configuration phase~~)~~ <u>,</u> with a second apparatus.

2. (original)   An apparatus as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it is adapted to eliminate the biometrical data of a user (1) after their use by the configuration module (4).

3. (currently amended)   An apparatus as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the communication with the second apparatus takes place in a wireless or wired way, ~~particularly~~ <u>such as</u> via a power supply mains.

4. (previously presented) An apparatus as claimed in claim 1,
    characterized in that the configuration module is adapted to
    manage a list of biometrical data and/or data derived from
    said list for different users (1) of an authorized user group.

5. (currently amended) A method of assigning a network apparatus
    (2) to a network (A), wherein biometrical data of a user (1)
    are supplied to the network (A) and are also supplied to and
    detected by the apparatus (2) and an unambiguous network
    identifier is derived therefrom, which identifier is used and
    known in the network (A) from previous and/or simultaneous
    inputs of the same biometrical data.

6. (currently amended) A method of configuring a communication
    connection between a network apparatus (2) and a network (A),
    wherein biometrical data of a user (1) are supplied to the
    network (A) and are also supplied to and detected by the
    network apparatus (2) and an unambiguous initial key is
    derived therefrom, which initial key is known in the network
    (A) from previous and/or simultaneous inputs of the same
    biometrical data and is used for a secure communication
    (particularly , such as in the configuration phase).